

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chairwoman Arlene Becker, on April 20, 2009 at
3:19 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Arlene Becker, Chairman (D)
Rep. Mary Caferro, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Julie French (D)
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)
Rep. David Howard (R)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)
Rep. Michael More (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Cary Smith (R)
Rep. Ron Stoker (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Jeffery Welborn (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Santella Baglivo, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SJ 35, 4/16/2009; SJ 38, 4/16/2009

Executive Action: SJ 35, SJ 38

HEARING ON SJ 35

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:08 Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D), SD 11, opened the hearing on SJ 35, Study health care.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:41 Mike Foster, Wheatland Memorial Hospital, Montana Catholic Hospitals
00:05:43 Steve Yeakel, Montana Council for Maternal and Child Health
00:07:23 Claudia Clifford, AARP Montana
00:07:58 John Flink, Montana Hospital Association
00:09:00 Don Judge, Montana Nurses Association
00:09:42 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic
00:10:02 Chelsea Fagen, Montana Chamber of Commerce
00:10:40 Jaimee Greer, Montana Human Rights Network
00:11:12 Kristina Davis, Montana Children's Defense Fund

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:57 Rep. Beck
00:13:16 Sen. Schmidt
00:14:59 Rep. Beck

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:17 Sen. Schmidt

HEARING ON SJ 38

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:07 Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D), SD 21, opened the hearing on SJ 38, Study health care disparities.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:21:36 Don Judge, Montana Nurses Association
00:24:19 Steve Yeakel, Montana Council for Maternal and Child Health
00:26:05 Claudia Clifford, AARP Montana

00:26:31 John Flink, Montana Hospital Association
 00:27:37 Mike Foster, Wheatland Memorial Hospital, Montana
 Catholic Hospitals
 00:28:59 Lindsay Love, Planned Parenthood of Montana
 00:30:30 Kristina Davis, Montana Children's Defense Fund
 00:32:29 Jaimee Greer, Montana Human Rights Network

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:33:18 Rep. Peterson
 00:33:37 Mr. Yeakel
 00:34:46 Rep. Peterson
 00:35:18 Mr. Yeakel
 00:36:01 Rep. Peterson
 00:37:14 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
 00:39:43 Rep. Peterson
 00:40:01 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
 00:41:17 Rep. Peterson
 00:41:38 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
 00:43:01 Rep. McAlpin
 00:43:10 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
 00:44:29 Rep. Peterson
 00:44:56 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
 00:46:19 Rep. Peterson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:48:20 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 35

00:49:01 **Motion:** Rep. French moved that **SJ 35 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:49:18 Rep. McAlpin
 00:49:46 Rep. Stoker
 00:50:11 Rep. Beck
 00:50:28 Chairwoman Becker
 00:50:40 Rep. Stoker
 00:50:46 Rep. French
 00:50:47 Chairwoman Becker
 00:50:53 Rep. Stoker
 00:51:03 Chairwoman Becker
 00:51:08 Rep. French

00:52:03 Chairwoman Becker
00:52:06 Rep. Ingraham
00:52:43 Rep. French
00:52:57 Rep. Stoker
00:53:28 Rep. Sands called the question.

00:53:57 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Howard, Rep. Ingraham, Rep. More, Rep. Peterson, and Rep. Smith voting no. Reps. Noonan and Welborn voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 38

00:54:41 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **SJ 38 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:54:52 Rep. French
00:56:10 Rep. Beck
00:57:46 Rep. Peterson
00:59:14 Rep. Sands
01:02:00 Rep. Caferro called the question.

01:02:10 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Becker, Rep. Caferro, Rep. French, Rep. Furey, Rep. Hunter, Rep. McAlpin, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Sands voting aye. Reps. Noonan and Welborn voted by proxy.

Discussion:

01:02:45 Rep. Sands
01:03:00 Chairwoman Becker

ADJOURNMENT

01:03:23 Adjournment: 4:22 P.M.

Santella Baglivo, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([huh84aad.pdf](#))